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Shri K.K. Gaur,
Secretary,
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West Block-VIII, R.K.Puram,
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Sub:- Revised Uri Hydel Project, J&K-
Environmental clearance.

Dear Sir,

I am pleased to inform that the above project has been considered by the Environmental Appraisal Committee in DST and is cleared from the environmental angle provided that the following safeguards are effectively implemented:-

1) Necessary arrangements may be made by the project authorities to provide fuel wood, free of charge, to the labour force during the construction stage of the project so that indiscriminate felling of trees in the neighbourhood may be prevented. Forest Deptt. may be requested to open fuel depots for this purpose and adequate provision to meet the cost of providing free firewood should be made in the project estimate.

2) During the construction operations digging of borrow pits should be avoided as far as possible and stress laid on the use of earth from mounds. Step should also be taken to remove the scars of construction by levelling and land scaping etc., to prevent further soil erosion.

3) Necessary soil conservation measures should be taken during the construction of roads. Controlled blasting should be resorted to and the services of a Geologist may be made available to the contractor to avoid unnecessary excessive blasting. The construction operations should be so phased as to provide sufficient time for road construction operations thereby eliminating the need for excessive blasting.

Any assistance in the implementation of the safeguards, if needed, shall be gladly extended by this office.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
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(Dr. S.Maudgal)
Member Secretary.

Environmental Appraisal Committee.